REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed October 9, 2007, in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims identified in Group I (claims 1-23 and 26) and claim 27 for prosecution in the above-identified application. The Applicant reserves the right to later file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

The Applicant notes that the Examiner acknowledges entry of claim 27 but does not address claim 27 in the groups. The Applicant assumes that claim 27 was inadvertently omitted from Group I and thus includes claim 27 in the elected group.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment associated with this Response to Deposit Account No. 03-3975 (Attorney Ref. No. 67074-310832).

Respectfully submitted,

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